

ARIZONA GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION COUNCIL

Executive Management Board Meeting Minutes August 11, 2003

- I. Call to Order. The Council was called to order at 3:32 p.m. by Jami Garrison, AGIC President. A count of Board Members established that a quorum was present (see attached list of attendees).
- II. Budget Update: Gary Irish reported on the status of the AGIC and AGIC Conference Budgets. Gary reported that as of June 30, 2003 the AGIC General account showed a balance of \$19,186.77 and the AGIC Conference account showed a balance of \$34,217.02.

Gene Trobia asked if the Board would entertain a motion to transfer \$15,000 back into the General account from the Conference Account after paying conference expenses and keep \$7500 in AGIC Conference account as seed for next year's conference. Motion made by Sally Powers. Seconded by Rick Harrington. Motion was approved unanimously.

Action Item: Transfer \$15,000 from AGIC Conference account to AGIC General account following the conference.

- III. Approval of Minutes of the May 8, 2003 Board meeting. Jami Garrison requested a motion to approve. Motion made by Rick Harrington. Seconded by Rod Hampton. Motion was approved unanimously.

Action Item: AGIC Minutes approved unanimously.

- IV. Committee Reports: Each of the Committees gave a brief report on their current activities and related topics.

- A. Administration and Legal Committee

Tim Smothers reported that the Administration and Legal Committee had not been active in the quarter and had nothing to report. Tim proposed that the Board list action items and publish those to the committee chairs responsible for those action items and that there be a review of action items at the end of each Board meeting. The Board agreed to this as a change of procedure.

Rick Harrington proposed that AGIC needs to develop a policy on data sales. Tim Smothers, Gary Irish, and Gene Trobia agreed to work on this with Rick.

Tim Smothers briefly updated the Board on teleconferencing and open meeting laws. Tim suggested that he coordinate with Craig Wissler and Lee Dexter on

teleconferencing. Jami Garrison said that ADOT also has teleconferencing facilities. Tim agreed to coordinate teleconferencing for the next Board meeting.

B. Conference Committee

Eva Reid reported that the Conference was going well and that preliminary estimates are that the Conference is doing better this year over last year.

C. Education Committee

Eva Reid reported on behalf of Shea Lemar, that the Education Committee had been working closely with the Conference Committee on the AGIC Conference, and had done little independent work since the last Board meeting. Shea Lemar sent an e-mail with an update on Education Committee Activities (see Addendum A).

Jana Hutchins added that the Microcomputers in Education Conference, held annually at ASU, is focusing on GIS this year. Jana indicated that she and Shea will be working on that.

D. Imagery Committee

Tom Sturm was unable to be present. Jason Howard indicated that Tom had sent him an e-mail update on Imagery Committee activities and that this would be added to the minutes as an addendum (see Addendum B).

E. Parcel Identification Committee

Gregg Tuttle reported that the Parcel Identification Committee had been inactive recently, but that he had discussed Height Modernization with Gene Trobia. Gene Trobia added that Height Modernization is a program by which highly accurate vertical and horizontal control can be set and that if the state puts the control network together such that every township corner is tied down in this way then AGIC can start looking at cadastral integration across the state. Gene indicated that he would like to see the Parcel Identification Committee invite the NGS, BLM, county surveyors, APLS, and the Arizona State Land Department to a meeting to discuss pursuing Height Modernization.

Dave Minkel added that NGS is willing to do height modernization forum in the state targeting the biggest beneficiaries. Dave recommended a letter from AGIC, APLS, and ADOT requesting that such a forum be held by NGS in Arizona.

Gregg moved that the AGIC president sign a letter for a formal request for a Height Modernization forum in Arizona. Seconded by Lee Dexter. Gene Trobia commented that the same letter be signed by APLS and other appropriate entities. Motion was approved unanimously.

Action Item: AGIC president will sign a letter requesting a height modernization forum in Arizona.

F. Technology Committee

Gary Irish reported that the focus of the Technology Committee has been on furthering the concept of enterprise GIS at the state level, but the Committee has not recently met. Gary indicated that he hopes to start working with other agencies soon.

G. Homeland Security Committee

Sharon Nicholson gave a brief summary on the Arizona GIS Data Survey and next steps regarding enterprise GIS and implementing the Data Network Model.

Jami Garrison, reporting for the Transportation Subcommittee, indicated that ADOT is in the beginning stages of moving their transportation data to the geodatabase model.

Gene Trobia added that for the road network the Homeland Security Committee is looking at using either Census data or acquiring data from Navtech and using them as a way to compliment and improve the ATIS data.

Sharon added that they had sent a letter to the governor indicating what AGIC was doing in terms of homeland security and that there had been no formal response from the governor's office.

H. Outreach Committee

Santiago Garcia reported that the paperwork for APLS and ADEM representatives were still in the system at the Capitol. Gene Trobia suggested that the Committee contact the Arizona Intertribal Council on joining the Board and look at current composition of Board and make recommendations on additions. Santiago will look into this.

VI. NSGIC Report

Gene Trobia reported on his trip to Washington, DC on behalf of NSGIC. He reported on the following meetings:

A. Geospatial One Stop Board Meeting

Portal - ESRI/OGC

ESRI - initial implementation

OGC - specs for full implementation

Role of States

Inventory

Coordinate/collaborate

B. FGDC Strategic Planning

Next steps for FGDC

Roles, responsibilities

Relationship to Geospatial One Stop, The National Map, and the

Department of Homeland Security

Set priorities

C. FEMA/DHS

- Keep data open

- Needs robust local systems

- Feds - provide incentives to standardize, share data, metadata

- DHS - Keep data in the public domain

 - Tap as needed

 - Add intelligence/secret data as needed

D. Congressional Testimony

- Roles of states

 - Coordination and collaboration

 - Inventory

 - Portal

- Need to keep data in the public domain

- Need to implement NSDI

- Feds - provide incentives to standardize and share data, create metadata, reduce redundancy, fund local data/system development

- Need for feds to coordinate better

- Congress needs to provide leadership

- Federal GIS need support from Congress

NSGIC Conference

- Funding requested for AGIC president and State Cartographer to attend

- Builds on NSGIC midyear - ID issues and concerns

- Annual IDs - action items, strategies, federal initiatives, Homeland Security, State/County/Local collaborations

- USGS, The National Map, DHS funding, development of the National Map

Motion made by Gene Trobia to send Sharon Nicholson and himself to the NSGIC annual conference in September. Seconded by Dave Minkel. Motion was approved unanimously.

Action Item: Sharon Nicholson and Gene Trobia will be funded by AGIC to attend the NSGIC Annual Conference in September.

VII. Miscellaneous Announcements

Sheila Hamilton announced that on August 23rd APLS would hold a parliamentary procedures workshop.

Bill Masters announced that the Arizona chapter of GITA was in the process of being reformed and requested help in this process.

Sally Powers announced that the timing of the AGIC Conference now coincides with the ESRI International User Conference.

VIII. Call to the Public.

No input from public participants.

IX. Next Meeting and Location.

The next AGIC Board meeting will be held November 6, time and location to be announced.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn forwarded by Gene Trobia and seconded by Gregg Tuttle. Approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Addendum A:

The following was relayed via e-mail to Jason Howard from Shea Lemar to be included in the minutes of this AGIC Board Meeting.

We worked closely with the Conference Committee on the AGIC Education and Training Symposium. We are currently working with the Microcomputers in Education Conference (MEC) planning committee; a national conference which focuses on technology for K-12 schools. We are working to make GIS a spotlight technology. The plan is to have a variety of presentations and vendors talking about GIS and how it can be used by schools, both in the classroom and at an administrative level. The MEC conference takes place March 15th-17th.

Addendum B:

The following was relayed via e-mail to Jason Howard from Tom Sturm to be included in the minutes of this AGIC Board Meeting.

- Have received no comments on the ortho and elevation I-plan documents distributed at the last AGIC meeting. So, no change on the thing that I was prepared to comment on at the meeting.
- The USGS is flying new NAPP spec CIR photos over the 100-mile US/Mexico border swath this summer. Ortho production (our usual 1-meter stuff) from the photos will commence sometime around the beginning of the 2004 calendar year. There is talk about completing a 1' ortho base for the border area by staff at the Office of Homeland Security (Gene confirm?). My current understanding of this effort, if it happens, is that it will cover a much smaller strip directly along the border and possibly along some corridors further northward.
- Work continues on high res urban orthos. A partnership with Pima Association of Governments for Tucson data is in progress. We hope to have it complete by the end of summer. Discussions are ongoing regarding the purchase of data from Maricopa County. The USGS is working to obtain high res orthos over all the largest cities in the US.
- 10-meter DEMs are now complete for the State. The 1/3-arc second NED derivative of the DEMs is being completed (about 2/3 of the State is now done). See my AGIC-L posting from about a week ago.

Attendees:

Executive Management Board

Leeland Dexter, Northern Arizona University

Jami Garrison, Arizona Department of Transportation, President

Victor Gass, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

Rodney Hampton, Arizona Association of Counties
Richard Harrington, Southern Arizona Geographic Information System
Jana Hutchins, Arizona State University
Gary Irish, Arizona State Land Department
Mele Koneya, Maricopa Association of Governments (alternate)
Dave Minkel, National Geodetic Survey
Thom Morrison, Arizona Department of Revenue (alternate)
Sharon Nicholson, Arizona Department of Public Safety, Vice-president
Sally Powers, Arizona Game and Fish Department
Timothy Smothers, League of Arizona Cities and Towns
Gene Trobia, Arizona State Cartographer's Office
Gregory Tuttle, private sector
Criag Wissler, University of Arizona

Other Attendees:

Santiago Garcia, City of Peoria
Sheila Hamilton, Arizona Professional Land Surveyors Association
Lee Harbers, Arizona Professional Land Surveyors Association
Kathy Hassett, Arizona Division of Emergency Management
Jason Howard, Arizona State Cartographer's Office
Paul Larkin, Pinal County Assessor's Office
Shea Lemar, Arizona State University
Bill Masters, Geospatial Information and Technology Association
Eva Reid, Arizona Department of Transportation